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Sir:

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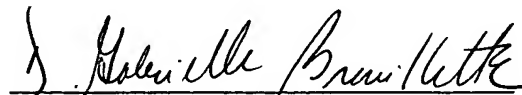
The listed references are of record in parent Application No. 10/262,408 filed October 1, 2002, and parent Application No. 09/942,805, filed August 30, 2001 and copies are available therein. However, applicants are willing to send copies of any or all of these references at the Examiner's request.

The Examiner is requested to consider the foregoing information in relation to this application and indicate that each reference was considered by returning a copy of the initialed PTO 1449 form(s).

Respectfully submitted,

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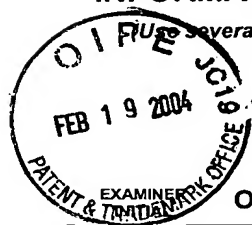
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